

Proper nouns

Proper nouns are the names given to specific places, days of the week, months of the year, names, people or special events.

Examples: Richards Bay, Sunday, July, Peter, Mrs Scott, Christmas



Help

A proper noun always starts with a capital letter.

1. Use the clues to unscramble the proper nouns in brackets. The first one has been done for you.
 - a) The first month of the year is (uaJnayr) January.
 - b) A boy's name (luaP) _____
 - c) A shop that sells food (hreCkesc) _____
 - d) A planet (teNpenu) _____
 - e) South Africa's capital city (riaoertP) _____
2. Write the words in the correct boxes below.

Tembi	India	Vaal River	Ouma
Bar One	Table Mountain	East London	David
Edgars	Edgar	Sun City	Samsung

Place	Person	Thing

Abstract nouns

An **abstract noun** names emotions, feelings and other things that we cannot see, hear, smell, taste or touch.

Examples: love, anger, trust, honesty

1. Put a tick next to the sentences where the words in the margin are used as abstract nouns.

- a) I love my new kitten. ☐
- b) Love makes the world go round. ☐
- c) Trust is important. ☐
- d) The friends trust one another. ☐
- e) Hate is a very strong emotion. ☐
- f) I hate the taste of pepper. ☐



2. Next to each of the nouns in the table below, write down whether it is a common or abstract noun. The first one has been done for you.

Noun	Type of noun	Noun	Type of noun
table	common	button	
butternut		courage	
music		luck	
bike		pencil	
phone		ghost	
idea		sticker	
radio		fear	